

## FINE CHURCH MUSIC.

How the Day will be Celebrated at the Cathedral

## AND SEVERAL OTHER CHURCHES.

Special Preparations for an Impressive and Appropriate Service above the Usual Standard of the Occasion. Other Christmas Festivities.

As usual, the feature of the Christmas celebration in most of the Catholic churches will be the special music, and there have been some very attractive programmes announced. At St. Joseph's Cathedral the music of the day will be opened by the 9 o'clock choir, composed entirely of ladies. The programme is as follows:

Gloria—The Grail (soprano solo)..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Credo—Vistibulum (tenor solo)..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Et Incarnatus (soprano solo)..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Et in Spiritum Sanctum (soprano solo)..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Qui Locutus Est (soprano solo)..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Sanctus..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Benedictus..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Ed. Yahn, Jacques Front, Josephine Flading, Watchman, Tell Us of the Night..... Miss Agnes Hess  
Miss Augusta Handlan and Charles K. Miller

The members of the choir are:  
Soprano—Mrs. George S. Feeney,  
Mrs. Henry Keller, Miss Emma Yahn,  
Miss Agnes Hess, Miss Josephine Flading,  
Miss De Vlieker, Miss Maggie Howard.

Altos—Miss Augusta Handlan, Miss Aggie Lowery, Miss Yahn.  
Tenors—Walter Chaplain, Jacques Front, George Hogue, Charles K. Miller.  
Basses—Adam Yahn, Ed Yahn, Will Yahn, Dan Coffee.

AT ST. ALPHONSUS CHURCH.

The Christmas music at St. Alphonsus will be as follows:

At 5 a. m., Charles Gounod's celebrated convent mass with orchestra.  
At 10 a. m., Farmer's mass in B flat; offertory: Tu suut coele, Stehle.

At 3 p. m., the whole choir will sing: Adolph Kalin's Vesperne de Confessore.

The members of the choir are: Sopranos—Misses Bertha Fox, Rosa Bischof, Christina Zanzitz, Kate Ebbert, Mary Ebbert, Sophia Steinmetz, Anna Heinmiller, Mary Bellinger, Mary Heil, Gertrude Bonenberger, Mary Diederich.

Altos—Misses Crescentia Feinler, Mathilda Feinler, Theresa Schaefer, Francis Klein. Tenors—Messrs. Frank A. Woelher, Jr., Henry Paul, Frank Miller, Julius Lohse. Basses—Frank J. Diegmiller, William Nolte, Anton Nolte, Edward Truchel, William Paul.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

At this church the choir will be strengthened by the addition of a number of good voices and the music will be a feature of the services. La Hache's mass will be rendered at 5 o'clock and again at 10 o'clock. At the early mass Mr. Charles Zulauf will assist and will sing several solos and duets. At late mass the bass part will be taken by Mr. Will Reuter and Mr. Joseph A. Arkle. At the offertory the "Adeste Fideles" will be sung. The choir will be made up as follows:

Sopranos—Miss Mollie Manion, Mrs. John Monahan, Misses Mamie Carey, Mamie Finley and Louise Hasenauer. Alto—Mrs. J. Humes and Mrs. W. Wright. Tenor—R. V. Arkle. Bass—Charles Zulauf, Will Reuter and Joseph A. Arkle. Organist—Miss Ella Arkle.

ST. MATTHEW'S P. R. CHURCH.

At the St. Matthew's Episcopal church a splendid programme will be rendered. The choir, under the direction of Miss Mary Wilde, the organist, has been preparing for the occasion for some time. Following is the programme:

Antiphon—"The Star in Upraise"..... Wilson  
Venite—Trinity Collection..... Corbin  
Gloria Patri..... Corbin  
Gloria Patri..... Corbin  
Gloria in Excelsis..... Corbin  
Te Deum..... Corbin  
Jubilate..... Corbin  
Hymn—"Miriam's Song"..... Corbin  
Hymn—"O, Come, All Ye Faithful"..... Corbin  
Gloria Tibi..... Corbin  
Carol—"Hark! What Mean"..... Wilson  
Sanctus—Cathedral Chant..... Corbin  
Gloria in Excelsis..... Corbin

The choir is composed of Miss Louise Von Foltzsch, Miss Mary Vardy, Mrs. Peebles Tatum, Mrs. Frylinan, and Dr. Aschman, J. E. Mondel and Charles Zulauf.

AT THE G. A. R. HALL.

The A. M. E. Church People will have a Notable Celebration of the Day.

At the G. A. R. Hall, on Main street, as was announced yesterday, the congregation of the A. M. E. church will celebrate the day in fine style. From 12:30 to 2:30 p. m. there will be a Christmas dinner, and from 7:30 to 8:30 this evening a concert by McClelland's orchestra, followed by the grand march, and a present is to be given to the finest looking couple present. At 3 p. m. a children's cantata will be given. Following are the names of those composing the various committees having the different affairs in charge:

Stewards—James Strange, James Hunt, George Howard and Charles Johnson.

Amusement Committee—Messrs. A. Rice, J. Alexander, H. Allensworth, William Henderson, chairman.

Reception Committee—Messrs. H. L. Lee, Walter Freeland, Bazel Ray, Louis Davis. Frank Doland, chairman.

Christmas Treats.

At the Wesley M. E. church a musical and literary entertainment was held, and drew a good attendance. There was music, dialogues, recitations and pantomime. Two beautifully decorated Christmas trees were loaded with candy and other things. Robert Bryson was the Santa Claus and distributed the presents. The Sunday school pupils all got a box of candy.

At the Chapline street Methodist church the cantata, "Santa's Surprise," was sung by the Sunday school children and other talent. A big crowd enjoyed the performance. Charles Ridenour was the Santa.

Christmas at the Children's Home.

The children's home was the scene of a happy gathering last night. The managers and friends of the institution had been planning for some time to make Christmas a memorable holiday for the children. Yesterday evening a little entertainment was held at the home. The youngsters delivered recitations, and at the conclusion the presents were distributed. Every child got as many

toys and as much candy as it could carry, and all were overjoyed with their presents.

No Service at Zion's Church.

Rev. P. Ziegelmeyer, pastor of Zion's German Lutheran church, was yesterday taken suddenly ill with lung fever, and will not therefore be able to have services in his church to-day as had been announced. The Sunday school will, however, have their usual celebration this evening at 7 o'clock. Rev. Mr. Reymann, of Bridgeport, will fill Mr. Ziegelmeyer's pulpit next Sunday morning.

Lizzie Evans To-day.

At the Opera House this afternoon and evening the attraction will be Lizzie Evans is her new play, "Miss Prue." The plot of the play is original and very strong. The Hartford Post says of its presentation there:

"The second act, where the scene is in the old barn, in the strongest of the play. Here, at the command of her demented old grandfather, 'Prue' does a dance to please him, while her heart is breaking. All the way through Miss Evans given a good impersonation of this rather difficult character."

This is quite a departure for the petite comedian, who heretofore has played nothing but soubrette parts, and her efforts last night augur success for her in her new role.

High Praise for Mr. Staley.

The management of the Opera House has secured that excellent German dialect comedian, George C. Staley, for an appearance in his successful production of "A Royal Pass" next Tuesday night. In an editorial, Mr. Jones, of the Nebraska State Journal, says: "Mr. Staley must be regarded as the man upon whom the mantle of Fritz Emmet has fallen." This, in the face of so many German dialect comedians now in the field and struggling for supremacy, must be accepted as a high tribute to the genius and entertaining powers of Mr. Staley.

Seats for "The Henrietta."

One attraction of Christmas will be the opening at C. A. House's music store this morning of the sale of reserved seats for Stuart Robson's engagement at the Opera House next Monday evening.

The coming of Robson is an event of more than ordinary importance. Besides the high standing of the comedian, the play, "The Henrietta," is one which has aroused a high degree of interest wherever produced. Wall Street men and their methods have figured in plays before, but they have never been as skillfully treated as in Bronson Howard's comedy. The author has blended stocks and sentiment and humor with rare skill. He has written a piece which does more than deal with complications of plot and laughable situation.

Two Good Operas To-day.

At the Grand last night the Wilbur Opera Company gave a very good rendition of "The Grand Duchess" in spite of the fact that it was Christmas eve. Miss Kerwin was the Duchess. Mr. Conley, Fritz, Miss Morton, Wanda, and the other parts were in good hands. The audience was the largest of the week, which is surprising, considering the bad weather and the night. This afternoon the company will give "The Mascotte," and this evening "Erminie," two of the best operas in any repertoire. The house is morally certain to be crowded at both performances, and it will be wise to secure seats in advance at Genthers.

STARLING DISCLOSURES

Regarding the Operations of the Canadian Boulders.

MONTREAL, Dec. 24.—Astonishing revelations are being made as to the operations of the Mercierites during their control of the provincial government.

The new treasurer of the province on taking possession at once started an investigation, and announces a startling state of affairs.

The late government's last financial statement estimated the deficit for the year at \$800,000. There has been found an item in the books, called "special expenditures," which swells the total deficit or excess of expenditures over receipts to \$2,223,000.

The department is now engaged in tracing where this extra \$1,600,000 has gone to. In doing this the fact was stumbled on that for the past four years Phillip Vallieres, who indorsed Editor Pacaud's and Minister Mercier's notes in the late Chaleurs scandal, has had a private contract with the government, by the terms of which he furnished all the public buildings in the Province with everything in the way of furniture, but no price was stipulated, no limit made. His accounts were regularly audited without question and paid, some of the prices and quantities of goods being outrageous. It is said that he drew hundreds of thousands of dollars for goods worth only half what he charged for them, and it is inferred that the minister stood in with the surplus.

Vallieres, who is rich, also backed paper for the ministers when they were short, and put bills through the banks for the government when it was in a hurry for money, on the latter transaction charging a substantial bonus, which was always paid without question.

NOTES ON NAVIGATION.

Stage of Water and Movements of Boats, The River Interests.

The river commenced to rise again yesterday, and at midnight there were ten feet of water in the channel.

Morgantown—4 feet 10 inches and stationary; cloudy and cool.

Brownsville—5 feet 9 inches and rising; cloudy and cool.

Warren—5 foot 7 inches and rising.

The Andes got in late Wednesday night, having been detained by the fog, and left for Cincinnati at 1 a. m. yesterday. At the same hour the Lizzie Bay continued on her belated trip to Charleston. The Bedford and the Scotia departed for Pittsburgh, the Bedford at 8 a. m., and the Scotia at noon. The Courier was the Parkersburg packet, and got away yesterday at 11:30 a. m.—The Hudson passed down for Cincinnati at noon.

This morning the steamer Congo will leave for Pittsburgh at 7 a. m.—The Batchelor will pass down for Cincinnati an hour later. The Ben Hur will swing off for Parkersburg at 11:30 a. m.—At 3 p. m. the Courier will leave for Pittsburgh.

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REVIEW OF TRADE.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Summary of the Business Situation.

New York, Dec. 24.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: Holiday trade is not always a just measure of the prosperity of the people, but it is satisfactory to know that at most points it is unusually large this year, though some localities report that it is less than last year.

General trade this season is usually light, merchants being engaged in taking stock, but at many points it is reported larger than usual, and even larger than last year. Reports show less complaint as to collections and a large trade in progress. At Pittsburgh trade is unusually good in all lines, with iron and steel manufacturers more hopeful and the glass trade fairly good.

The great industries close the year with more than usual activity, even the woolen mills having orders forward to keep them employed and a number have recently started, but none shut down. The iron manufacture has been turning out more pig than ever before, though some works stop for the holidays, and the tone of the market is stronger, with rather more demand for finished products.

The business failures occurring throughout the country during the last six days number 292, as compared with 335 last week, and for the same week last year the number was 333.

McDonald Oil Field.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 24.—The Gamble No. 4, of the Woodland Oil Company, came in at McDonald to-day, and is doing fifty barrels an hour. The Shaffer No. 10, of the Forest Oil Company, is doing ten barrels an hour; Miller No. 3, of Greenlee & Forest, started off at 100 barrels a day. Their Gladden No. 1 tapped the sand and is good for seventy-five barrels a day.

A wild cat well belonging to the Pittsburgh Oil Company, on the Reed farm, four miles southwest of McDonald, is showing a little oil in the Gordon sand. It is being watched with interest, as it may open up a lot of new territory. The estimated production is 47,000 barrels, a decrease of 500 barrels. The stock in the field is 103,000 barrels, a decrease of 1,500 barrels. Runs, 53,528 barrels.

Uprising in Pahanga.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Times correspondent at Singapore telegraphs news of a Malay uprising in Pahanga, a state of the Malay peninsula. He states that an English magistrate has been fired at and also that a body of armed police has been dispatched from Selangor to quell the revolt. The disturbance is attributed to local hostility to the Malay Sultan.

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